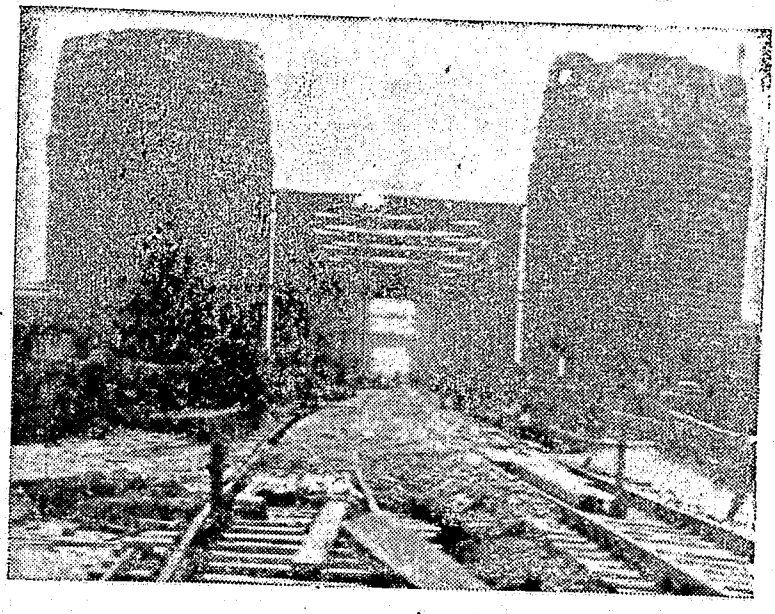


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Entrance to Remagen Rail Bridge



U.S. Signal Corps Radio-Telephone

REMGAN, GERMANY.—This is the strategic railroad bridge at Remagen, Germany, which was captured by the Ninth Armored Division of the United States First Army and enabled the U.S. troops to make the first crossing of the historic Rhine river. Photo taken from the eastern bank of the Rhine.

It's a Pleasure



Lieut. Rose M. Smith, U. S. Army flight nurse, who aided in evacuations from Eastern China, looks in her charge aboard a transport plane for the trip back to a base hospital. Purchases of War Bonds make possible such speedy transportation of wounded, and provide the finest hospital facilities in the world to aid the recovery of American casualties. From U. S. Treasury

FREE SPACE FOR VICTORY GARDENS

We are warned from many sources that food will be scarce and that food will win both the war and the peace. In this safe and bountiful community it is not easy to realize that any small amount of garden produce that we raise is of any importance in the war effort. And yet in the success of the family gardens is placed a big contribution toward doing our part on the home front.

Pat Murphy has kindly offered the same plot of ground on the Marshall place and is going the second mile for patriotism in telling the gardeners he will lend them a horse and cultivator.

When the season is ready the section will have the ground plowed and harrowed. There is no charge for the use of these gardens.

Mrs. Tibbetts is chairman and will be glad to reserve for you a small, medium, or large plot of ground. Why not raise a few bushels of potatoes or some baking beans.



Word has been received by his parents that Pvt. Fred B. Mason Jr. of Locke Mills is confined to the base hospital with pneumonia.

Richard Bryant S. 2c of New York spent the week end at his home.

Pvt. Stanley Merrill of Texas is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Merrill, in Newry.

Pvt. Donald Merrill is enjoying a furlough at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Merrill in Mason.

Word has been received from Sgt. Willard A. Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright of North Newry, that he is in a hospital, probably in France where he is recovering from an injury.

Sgt. Wright was serving the 7th Division of the Seventh Army in the fierce conflict raging in Southern Germany. Sgt. Wright entered the armed forces April 16, 1941 and was stationed at Camp Croft, S. C. where he served as an instructor for three years. He went overseas in December, 1944.

ONE FOURTH OF COLD WEATHER TO COME

Maximum percentages of their 1944-45 allotment of fuel oil which householders should have used to date were released by OPA as follows: Caribou, 78; Eastport, 72; Greenville, 77; Portland, 79.

ASSESSORS' NOTICE

The Assessors of the Town of Bethel hereby give notice to all persons liable to taxation in said Town, that they will be in session at the Selectmen's Office in said Town, on the first day of April, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of receiving lists of the polls and estates taxable in said town.

All such persons are hereby notified to make and bring to said Assessors true and perfect lists of their polls and all their estates real and personal, not by law exempt from taxation, which they held as guardian, executor, administrator, trustee or otherwise on the first day of April, 1945, and be prepared to make oath to the truth of the same.

When estates of persons deceased have been divided during the past year, or have changed hands from any cause, the executor, administrator or other persons interested, are hereby warned to give notice of said change, and in default of such notice will be held under the law to pay the tax assessed although such estate has been wholly distributed and paid over.

Any person who neglects to comply with this notice will be DOOMED to a tax according to the laws of the State, and be barred of the right to make application to the Assessors or County Commissioners for any abatement of his taxes, unless he offers such lists with his application and satisfies them that he was unable to offer it at the time hereby appointed.

ERNEST F. BISBEE
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Pulpwood On Urgency List

A special bulletin to the Citizen from U. S. Victory Pulpwood Campaign headquarters reports that cutting and hauling of pulpwood has been added to the National Production Urgency List, effective immediately. The message follows:

Officials of the Army, Navy, War Production Board, War Manpower Commission, War Food Administration, Office of Defense Transportation, and Office of Price Administration announce that "cutting of pulpwood and the hauling of logs from forest to mill" is now on the National Production Urgency List.

This means that pulpwood production has been raised to the same imperative category as manufacture of B-29's, rockets, bombs and the building of carriers and cruisers. In addition, it means that the new status of pulpwood will be used as a guide in assisting the War Manpower Commission to determine priority ratings, extending to pulpwood workers the same priority rights now applicable to workers in munition plants, aircraft factories and the armament industry.

OXFORD COUNTY GIRLS IN DRESS REVUE

Oxford County Girls have gone in for the Victory Dress Revue in a big way this year, 33 being enrolled. Girls entering are as follows:

Carolyn Noyes, Marilyn Noyes, Rachel Brown, Catherine Stevens, Lois Van Den Kerckhove of Bethel; Joyce Allen, Hilma Carver, Janice Smith, Margaret Carver, Eleanor Carver and Beatrice Verrell of Duckfield; Helen Appleby of Bryant Pond; Betty Walker, Mary Douglas, of Hiram; Ethel McCormack and Rose McCormack of Norway; Frances Ellingwood, Maxine Russell, Betty Smith, Beverly Smith of W. P. East; Barbara Stearns of Stoneham; Barbara Farrar of East Sumner; Edna Conant, Jean Brett, Norma Conant, Marilyn Cummings, Beverly Gray, Betty Hannaford, Betty Judd, Phyllis McAllister, Elsa Steinh, and Patricia Mayberry of Welchville; Evelyn Poland of Woodstock.

SUPERIOR COURT

Oxford County Superior Court convened at Rumford on March 8, Hon. Nathaniel Tompkins, Justice presiding.

The Grand Jury went into session at once and on Friday, March 9, returned 14 indictments, two of which were secret. Those made public were:

James Colbert, Brownfield, murder.

Aime Lepage, late of Magalloway Plantation, negligence in shooting and manslaughter.

Three indictments on Mabra D. Packard Jr. and Ralph D. Packard, late of Rumford, two for larceny and taking two motor vehicles.

Adelard Davis, Oxford, rape and assault with intent to rape.

Walter Barron, Rumford, forgery and uttering.

Kenneth Pulsifer and Ruth Estes, both of Woodstock, adultery.

George Otis Freeman, Rumford, forgery and uttering.

Daniel R. Floyd, Mexico, forgery and uttering.

Two indictments on Rosario Ross, otherwise known as Bazilio Ross, late of Rumford, larceny and taking two motor vehicles.

The following were admitted to citizenship on March 8: Esther Zantoni, Joseph Breaux, Vera Hazel Allyn, Lumnia Sevigny, Louise Richard, Delma Gillis, Lucien Laperle, May Gallant, Mary Barron, Ona Belvidene, Mary Josephine Blanchard, George Maxime Arsenault, Emilie Joseph Walte, Joseph Blanchard, Alexander Walker, Marie Claude Marcen, Mary Ida Enman, Maude Ruth Smith, Denise Mary Melanson.

Daniel R. Floyd, indicted for forgery and uttering a \$15 check, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to serve two to four years in prison, suspended sentence and probation to terminate when he is reinstated in the armed forces.

George Otis Freeman pleaded guilty to the charge of forgery and endorsement on a \$32.20 check and passing it in a Rumford store and was sentenced to one to two years in prison.

Walter Barron, who pleaded guilty to forging the name of a co-maker on a promissory note for \$75, was sentenced to six months in jail and placed on probation for two years.

Mabra D. Packard Jr. and Ralph Packard pleaded guilty to larceny of a car and were placed on probation for two years when their case was continued for sentence.

Adelard Davis pleaded guilty to rape and assault with intent. He was sentenced to 11 months in jail.

Rosario Ross pleaded guilty through his counsel to an indictment of taking two cars without permission. He was sentenced to six months in jail.

Kenneth Pulsifer of Buckfield and Ruth Estes of Sumner, charged with adultery, were sentenced to serve six months each in jail. Sentence was suspended and they were

90th BIRTHDAY MONDAY



Mrs. Ella M. Brown will celebrate her 90th birthday on March 26. She is very well and is up around the house every day. She lives with her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Kilgore at North Newry.

INVALID GAS COUPONS MAY BE EXCHANGED

Supplementary gasoline ration coupons "B-5," "C-5," "E-1," "R-1" and "D" coupons not serially numbered will be invalidated for consumer use after March 31, Charles S. Buckley, Mileage Rationing Officer of Maine OPA announced. At the same time First Quarter "T" coupons will expire for use by commercial motor vehicle operators.

Holders of invalidated coupons that represent an unexpired ration may exchange them for valid coupons, Buckley said. He explained that the invalidations were in accord with OPA standard policy of removing from circulation gasoline coupons which have been outstanding for considerable time.

Service station operators will have ten days, or through April 10, to turn the invalidated coupons in to their suppliers or to exchange them at local bonds for ration checks. Distributors have until April 20 to deposit these coupons in their ration bank accounts.

CHAIRS NEEDED FOR NEW CORPORATION ROOM

The end of the one-time Kimball Block, for many years owned and occupied by Ceylon Rowe & Son as a store, was sold by Herbert R. Rowe to the Bethel Village Corporation this week. The purchase was voted by the Corporation at the annual meeting last week. It being planned to sometime erect a modern fire station on the site now occupied by the entire building.

The firemen have cleaned up the quarters used as a store, and now seek donations of used chairs from anyone interested, so that the place may be used for gatherings which now necessitate removal of the fire apparatus from the building.

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Milford Herrick and Clara Wilson were sentenced to six months in jail on an adultery charge. Sentence was suspended and they were placed on probation for two years.

Rodney Grover of Dixfield, charged with assault on his wife, furnished bail for \$300 and the case was continued.

Aime Lepage pleaded guilty to an indictment for negligent shooting of a human being. The case was continued for sentence and he was placed on probation for two years. Lepage and Thomas Turner, both of Wentworth Location, N. H., were hunting in Magalloway Plantation Nov. 24 when Lepage fired, thinking he saw a deer. The bullet struck Turner, who died the following day in Berlin N. H.

Lepage was first arraigned in a New Hampshire court and bound over, but subsequently Sheriff Fernando F. Francis of Rumford investigated the circumstances, found that the accident occurred 300 feet on the Maine side of the state line, and Lepage was subsequently arraigned here and held for the Grand Jury.

John J. Kirby, a lieutenant of detectives on the Chelsea, Mass., police force, secretly indicted for negligent shooting of Philip Reidy of Bangor, while hunting at Andover North Surplus, November 16, was released in personal recognizance of \$100 when his case was continued.

The trial of James Colbert of East Brownfield, on the charge of murder of Gerald Osborne on Jan. 15, is now in progress.

Gould Honor Parts Named

It was announced last week who the honor students of the senior class of Gould Academy were.

Pristilla Carver of Bethel won high honors, with an average of 94.06.

The next nine highest with averages over 85 are: Musa Swan, Claire Lapham, Robert Foster, Freeland Savage, Phyllis Tebbets, Katharine Kellogg, Jay Winter, Mary Sue Adams and Mary Gibbs.

The first four named will present the Commencement essays in June.

WARTIME FOREST FIRE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN APPEAL TO FARMERS

An urgent appeal to farmers and other private woodland owners to participate in the 1945 Wartime Forest Fire Prevention Campaign and assist in protecting timber, vitally need by the nation's Armed Forces, was issued jointly this week by the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and State forestry and conservation agencies.

Protection from fire of farm and privately-owned woodlands is being stressed because 95 percent of the commercial timber cut is from these sources, Forest Service officials said. Very near one third of the 341,000,000 acres of commercial forest land—or 139,000,000 acres—is mostly in small tracts on more than three million farms.

"With lumber production falling short of requirements for both military and essential civilian needs, it is important that we exert every effort to prevent woodland fires," said R. F. Hammett, Director of the Wartime Forest Fire Prevention Campaign.

"As an example of the importance of wood from farm woodlands, one third of all pulpwood produced in the United States is from these comparatively small wooded acreages," Mr. Hammett added. "One-third of the 10,000,000 tons of pulpwood produced annually in this country is used to package farm products. Millions of tons of food and munitions are packaged and wrapped in pulpwood products."

In his appeal to woodland owners Mr. Hammett requested that extreme caution be exercised in burning over fields. He advised farmers to plow furrows around tracts being burned to prevent sudden and uncontrolled spread of flames. Burning of brush and dead grass in farm woodlands should be done only in the best of weather conditions and when "extra hands" are near to halt any unexpected expansion of fires that might destroy or damage trees.

"When burning has been completed, every spark should be extinguished—put dead out," Mr. Hammett emphasized.

"Of the more than 210,000 fires that attack our woodlands and ranges every year, nine out of every ten can be traced to the carelessness and bad judgement of Americans," Mr. Hammett continued. "Forest and woods fires are another enemy to conquer. We simply must concentrate, each of us, individually, if we are to win this home-front battle. Wood is a critical war item and the Army and Navy has urged us to protect it from needless destruction."

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The Eleanor Gordon Guild met Wednesday evening, March 14, at the home of Mrs. Donald Brown with Beatrice Brown and Mary Billings as co-hostesses. A pot luck supper was served at 6:30, decorations being carried out to observe St. Patrick's Day.

Hesterina Brooks resigned her position as Vice President and the nominating committee elected Beatrice Edwards to serve for the remainder of this year.

Irish poems and stories were read.

The next meeting will be held March 28 at 7:30 with Mrs. Josephine Parker, Mrs. Wm. Penner, Arlene Brown, Virginia Perry, and Josephine Parker on the entertainment committee.

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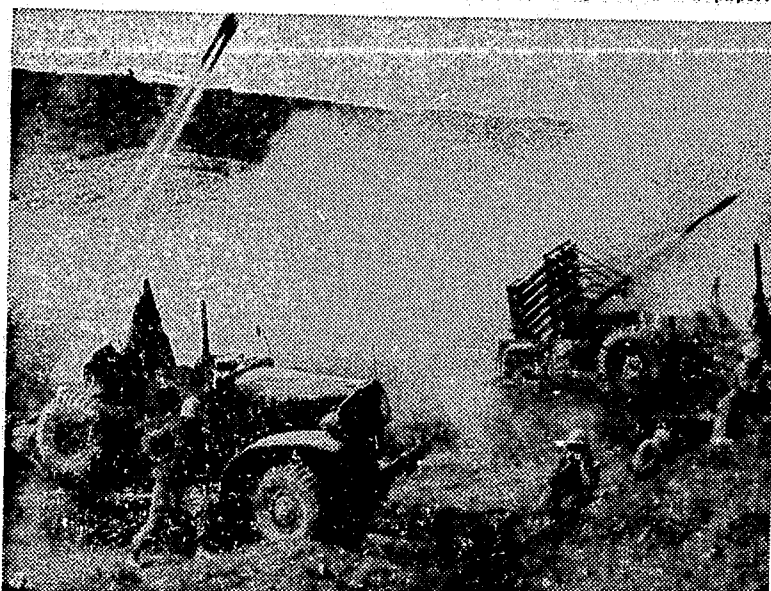
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Allies Gain Beyond River Lines; Curb Exports to Relieve U. S.; Japs Fear Invasion of Homeland

Released by Western Newspaper Union.
(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.)



Recalling from charges, marines launch high explosive rockets from mobile trucks onto enemy emplacements on two Jima.

EUROPE:

Ram Forward

Their north flank cleared by a powerful drive to the Baltic, the Russians launched their all-out assault on Berlin even as U. S. forces dug deeper into German territory east of the Rhine on the other end of the European battlefield.

Starting their long-awaited smash at Berlin only after clearing some 200,000 Germans from their right flank, the Russians moved over 100,000 men over the Oder river on a 16-mile front due east of the capital in the early stages of the drive. Simultaneously, other Red troops battered ahead in the Stettin region to the north in what threatened to develop into a wide outflanking movement on Berlin.

While the battle for Berlin raged, Russian troops to the southeast maintained heavy pressure on German forces defending the gateway to the Moravian Gap, front door to Czechoslovakia and Austria. Both at the gateway and in Hungary, the Germans fought hard to keep the Reds from the approaches to these rich industrial regions furnishing the enemy with vital war material.

Their bridgehead steadily built up across the Rhine east of Remagen, U. S. 1st army troops pressed ahead through the steep and forested Westerwald mountains in a drive threatening the outer edge of the Germans' vital Ruhr industrial valley just to the north and the rolling hill route to Berlin to the east.

With the Nazi high command compelled to keep a watchful eye on the U. S. 9th and British 2nd armies to the north, German attacks against the broadening bridgehead were confined to short, sharp counterblows designed to whittle down American strength and heavy artillery fire from the surrounding heights.

Increasing numbers of the carefully hoarded German planes, including jet-propelled craft, also were thrown into the battle not only to harass ground troops but also to conduct continuing attacks against the Yank supply lines across the river. The sky above roared with swirling dog-fights as American airmen challenged the enemy aviators.

While these three Allied forces menaced the eastern Rhineland, Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's U. S. 3rd army pressed against the Saar and Moselle rivers guarding the enemy's all-important Saar basin to the southwest. Along with the U. S. 7th army on the southern border of the Saar basin, the 3rd was applying a crunching vise to the vital coal and iron region.

Inside Germany

While Adolf Hitler called upon the German people to stand fast and bleed the Allies to death, Nazi authorities moved to round up all soldiers and civilians fleeing from the path of advancing U. S., British and Russian armies to make them available for the Reich's last desperate stand.

Declaring that God only helps those who help themselves, Hitler said: "Our task is . . . clear: to put up resistance and to wear down our enemies so long that until, in the end, they will get tired and yet be broken. . . . The year 1918 will not be repeated. . . ."

In seeking to steer detached soldiers back into military ranks, and channel refugee workers into war production, the Nazis ordered the registration of all males between 16 and 62, with violators and their abettors treated as deserters and punished.

BEAD MARKET SLUMPS IN PACIFIC

That time-worn phrase, "carrying coals to Newcastle," is being superseded out this way by a new expression—"carrying beads to the South Pacific," says Marine Correspondent Lt. Milburn McCarthy Jr.

For years beads were one of the most popular items of barter among natives of the Pacific islands. Natives made beads out of shells, corals, coral, hammered silver coins,

human teeth, etc.

Since the coming of American forces two years ago, the bead market here has been flooded. Well-meaning parents and wives back in the states have sent so many boxes of broken-down 5-and-10-cent store jewelry for the servicemen to trade that sometimes a bushel of beads will bring no more than a couple of small turtles.

V-E DAY:

Troop Shift

Defeat of Germany will pose a huge task for the U. S. army in withdrawing the bulk of 3,500,000 men from Europe, with the majority destined for reassignment for continuation of the war against Japan, it was revealed.

In observing the third anniversary of the army service forces which he heads, Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell declared that though some of the troops and equipment will be shipped directly from Europe to the Pacific, others will be returned to the U. S. for furloughs, re-outfitted and then sent overseas.

Although General Somervell indicated that some of the vets would be discharged after the European conflict, the war department itself declared it was impossible at this time to estimate the number that actually will be released.

CANADIAN OIL:

Junk Project

Originally undertaken in 1942 to furnish U. S. troops in the Alaskan area with a convenient source of oil and gas, the army's \$134,000,000 Canadian well and refinery project in the northwest territories was abandoned under continuing congressional pressure.

Consisting of 61 wells at Norman linked to the refinery at Whitehorse by a pipeline, the project produced only 21,297 barrels of 100-octane gas in nine months, with costs running around \$1,000,000 a month. Canada's 500 employees could be better utilized in U. S. refineries, the senate war investigating committee reported, with the 281 skilled workers capable of boosting 100-octane gas output 2,000 barrels a day at American plants.

Should Canada fail to exercise its option of purchasing the property, it was said, the project will be put up for public bidding.

COAL SUPPLY:

Cut Deliveries

With the already reduced miner labor force expected to be further pared during the year, and with government officials predicting a 40,000,000-ton coal shortage for 1945, householders east of the Mississippi as well as in Iowa, Minnesota and North and South Dakota will be limited to 80 per cent of their normal needs in the next heating season.

Working at top speed, 400,000 miners produced a record 620 million tons of coal in 1944, but with recent manpower losses and the projected induction of some 25,000 more men into the armed forces through this year, output was expected to drop. Retention of the 25,000 miners and release of an additional 15,000 from the armed forces would provide the manpower to meet all needs, operators said.

In limiting householders and other consumers to 80 per cent of their normal requirements, the government altered its current regulations under which only 87½ per cent of anthracite or 90 per cent of soft coal mined in West Virginia, Virginia, eastern Kentucky or northeastern Tennessee could be included in an order, with substitutes making up the remainder.

BRITISH DEBT:

War Deficit

Though income was out-running estimates, Britain's debt for the fiscal year closing in April was expected to approximate 11½ billion dollars, with receipts put at less than 12½ billions and expenditures at over 24 billions.

With only the surtax on high incomes falling short of expected yields, revenues from income taxes, excess profits levies and customs duties were looked upon to equal or surpass estimates, it was said.

Though treasury figures showed more money in circulation than ever before, the shortage of goods continued to adversely affect trade. Retail sales in January were the smallest since the same month in 1944, it was revealed, with Christmas buying having flushed stocks.

Lend-Lease Homes

With more than 2,500,000 British homes substantially damaged by bombing, and at least 250,000 of these destroyed, the U. S. plans to lend-lease 30,000 new pre-fabricated houses to the United Kingdom at a cost of \$51,000,000, it was revealed. Thus did the U. S. move to help the British government on the all-tough housing question in a country with an increasingly liberal outlook.

With the cost running about \$1,700 each, the two-bedroom, flat-roofed homes will be shipped out complete, with the British expected to supply the glass on the site, however.

Latest in design, the houses will contain ranges, sinks and bathroom fixtures, including cast-iron enamel bathtubs, lavatory and galvanized iron piping.

ARMY CASUALTIES

Army general and convalescent hospitals in this country are caring for more than 50,000 more sick and wounded soldiers than was the case three months ago, the war department announced, stating that the number of patients had jumped from around 87,000 last October to 140,000 by the end of January.

Casualties from overseas are now arriving in this country at the rate of 1,200 a day, with about 35,000 evacuated to hospitals here last month.

Washington Digest

Personalities Still Affect Relationships of Nations

Strain Between FDR and De Gaulle Complicates Postwar Understanding Between Two Great Powers.

By BAUKHAGE

News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, Union Trust Building, Washington, D. C.

Some years ago that highly scientific organization, the Smithsonian Institution, discussed the possibility of a relationship between sun spots and wars. It was carefully explained that sun spots, which are really great explosions on the sun's surface, affected the weather on the earth and frequently bad weather in turn affected the dispositions of human beings and might conceivably render national leaders less amenable to reason and more likely to get their countries into trouble.

At first glance that seems rather far-fetched but the fact that a clash of personalities can affect the course of nations today, at most as much as it did when people fought at the whim of a king, has been brought out strikingly in Franco-American relations.

There isn't much question that the common interests of France and the United States would be better served if one Franklin Roosevelt could "get along" better with one Charles De Gaulle.

Of course, it is only fair to say that there are others who don't "get along" with the tall, handsome and aristocratic French general. It is no secret that one Josef Stalin, although he arranged a highly advantageous treaty with France, including some even more advantageous private understanding with De Gaulle, had no desire to invite him to Yalta.

But the Roosevelt-De Gaulle differences seem to be recurrent and just when everybody thought, after the latter's visit to Washington when he was understood to have given his colleagues in France the impression that the visit was highly satisfactory to him, came the answer "I regret" to Roosevelt's "responded, 's'il vous plait' and the meeting in the President's cruiser off Algiers did not take place.

Etiquette Poses Difficult Problem

In diplomatic circles it has been carefully explained that De Gaulle could not accept an invitation from a peregrinating president to call upon him in French territory, which it was explained was a sort of "come down and have a picnic with me in your backyard, I'm too busy to call on you in your parlor."

To which American diplomatic circles explained: it wasn't an invitation to De Gaulle to come to Algiers, which is French territory, but an invitation to call on the President aboard a U. S. warship, which is American territory.

Peul-etre, was the reply, but the chief of a great power, indeed an empire, cannot be expected to be treated any better than the rulers of such minor domains as Arabia, Egypt or Ethiopia, royal-blooded though they be. (Roosevelt entered the gentlemen earlier.)

There the discussion bogged down in mutual chagrin with all but two of the leading French newspapers (one conservative and one communist) insisting that De Gaulle was right and the apologists for Roosevelt explaining that the President could not undertake what probably would have amounted to a visit of state and a triumphal tour of France, when he had a war to win. It was also recalled that one thing Mr. Roosevelt prides himself on avoiding is making the mistakes Wilson did. Wilson received a wild ovation in France and Italy BEFORE the peace conference, and suffered the results of a most painful reaction afterward.

How great a part Roosevelt's failure to pay a visit to De Gaulle in Paris played in motivating the general's refusal, or if it were the chief cause, how much was personal pique on the part of De Gaulle and how much a feeling that his nation had been slighted, it is impossible

to say. My own impression gathered from conversations with persons thoroughly familiar with the French attitude is that "difficulties" were expected to arise in Franco-American relations the moment it became clear that France was not invited to participate in the councils of the Big Three. It was not expected that the role her armies are able to play would make her eligible to join the military councils at Yalta but the French were ardently desirous of having a place at the general negotiations which made up the second part of the parleys. General De Gaulle was in no mood, when he received the President's invitation, to brook what he considered a further, on the other hand, that the President felt he had sound, practical reasons for omitting any visit to Paris before the San Francisco meeting. He also felt there were sound, practical reasons for a conversation with De Gaulle. He said there were a number of points that had to be cleared up which required French action before the United Nations meeting could be held. Indeed, I imagine, he felt that he was showing especial regard to France when he offered to review the accomplishments at Yalta personally for De Gaulle.

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TOKYO BROADCASTER EXPLAINS ALL

Attention! Excuse please! Honorable Japanese gave Manila back to Americans. Whole thing done as big surprise. Will surprise them by letting them have Philippines soon. Honorable Japanese now lead world in surprises. Japanese people will please excuse Japanese army and navy if they are surprised also.

Philippines of no importance. Japanese took them only to hold convention of Japanese amateur photographers. Pictures not turn out too well, please excuse. Emperor decide best subjects for photographic are in homeland. So sorry.

American General MacArthur very much put out by Japanese behavior. Japanese put out by MacArthur behavior. Honorable Japanese claim a tie. Emperor say co-prosperity sphere going. Not say satisfactory to whom, excuse please.

Honorable Japanese nation must not ask too many questions, please, about Japanese fleet. Japanese fleet know where it is. We hope, Japanese military leaders now try new tactics. Combine strategic retreat with barrel juggling using silk kimonos in which they look more convincing.

Bombing of Tokyo imaginary. Excuse please. Completion Leda-Burma road optical illusion, excuse please. Dictation of peace by Japanese in American White House postponed until further notice. Wet grounds, excuse please, so sorry.

British and American fleets now off homeland in large numbers, excuse please. Honorable Japanese Ally Hitler who promise Japan fine partnership in ladder juggling act fall off ladder. Excuse please. So sorry. Tokyo - Berlin. Co - prosperity Sphere opened by mistake.

Honorable Japanese leaders assure honorable Japanese people no cause for worry. Japanese save face. Germans lucky if save face cream. Honorable Emperor wish again to tell Japanese people, excuse please, that Manila of no importance. Emperor say Japanese army was just holding it until called for. Excuse please.

Forward with honorable ancestors through honorable Japanese deadend street! Excuse please!

MEAT FOR FISHERMEN
(Fishing fleet crews, deprived of red meat by coupon limitations, are appealing to OPA for relief.—News Item.)

A fisherman needs his daily meat. He slaves amid wintry scenes; He can't live on hash where nor-easters crash, And doesn't care much for beans. He battles the cold and wintry gales. And harks to the skipper's wish; His appetite is never quite light; And, boy, he gets sick of fish!

Oh, tough is the life on a fishing smack, And hungry the crews do grow; When hauling a net all icy and wet. For dainties he'll never go; A fisherman works on a rugged job. His appetite knows no whims; He likes a steak thick, and gets very sick Of any known food that swims.

Oh, hard is the life on the ocean cold, A little green salad? Bunk! No cheeses or rye will a fisherman's eye fill. And eggplant a la king is punk; So, up with more points for the fishing lads, And off with the iron lid! Some meat from a cow makes seafaring chow— And you keep the codfish, kid!

Back Home Stuff.
It appears that tripe is coming back. We just read of its reappearance. A recipe called for its being put in a pot and simmered for two hours, then cut into cubes.

Phooey! Any such preparation would be a violation of the code of the old-fashioned tripe eater. Tripe was a common dish back home in our boyhood. Every butcher market carried it, good times or bad. And we had it in our house at least once a week. But no simmering and no cubes! The orthodox system was to cut it in slabs, bread it or roll it in flour and fry it to a golden brown. We have never been able to explain the decline and fall of homeycom tripe. But we welcome it back.

China officially states that it is possible to stand an egg on end on the first day of spring (Chinese calendar time). We will take an egg, on end or not, any time. Our quest is for a slice of bacon on its side or a slab of ham flat on its back.

We will never think our civilization is what it is cracked up to be until we see in front of the blood donor stations lines of Americans waiting as patiently and as long as they sit in front of stores advertising cigarette sales.

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USELESS COWBOY

By ALAN Le MAY WNU SERVICE



THE STORY THUS FAR: Melody Jones and his side-kick George Fury, became lost crossing the plains and ended in Payneville, a cow town on the wagon route to California. Fury hit the first bar, while Melody wandered down the street. Ira, a rough looking customer, whistled at a girl across the street, whom Melody had admired at a distance. In a flare of temper Melody knocked Ira down. When Ira regained his feet, Melody advised him not to whistle at someone else's girl. He then entered the store and ordered canned food. The store owner refused payment. Fury was not doing as well; the men in the bar had started to razz him, believing him to be the half-wit Roscoe.

CHAPTER III

"Talk! Talk! Talk!" George wailed. "You got that cayuse back here, and smart quick! Yours, too. We're leavin'!"

"Why?"

"Because this dump is full o' crazy fellers!"

"Where's that c'r'ral?" old George rasped, his mustache trembling. He started striding headlong down the street, lurching on his high heels.

Melody fell in beside him. "You go in some dump," Melody enlarged, "where nobody don't know you, and you pike all around with that half-rump grin; and next maybe you ask some dumb fool question a Comanche papoose could answer for hisself, like, 'What time is she now?' or 'Where am I at, anyways?'—and naturally they don't fall flat on their face, or nothin'. You other know that by now."

George Fury gave a low whimper in his throat.

"You got to walk in a new place kind o'—unsmling," Melody said. He hadn't meant to say that. It slipped out on him. He reddened a little. "Like me," he pushed ahead with it. "I ain't said two words in this dump, but already I got a certain standing."

George Fury slowed up, then. He said queerly, "Unsmiling . . . Unsmiling, you said?"

Once more George Fury was entering the First Chance - Last Chance, from the way they had now come—an act he would have sworn could never happen in this life or the next. And this time Melody Jones was walking in, a little in front of him.

A little smile was on George Fury's face. He no longer cared what happened to himself. "Unsmiling Jones," he whispered.

Unsmiling Jones walked slowly into the Last Chance Bar. His thumbs lay lightly along the upper edge of his belt—the "gunfighter's hook," he had heard. More than ever he was trying to look neither to right nor left, so that his always restless eyes darted here and there in light, quick-glancing strokes. He moved so stiffly in his utter self-consciousness that his heels hardly sounded on the worn boards, even in the sudden stillness. You could hear his left spur ring faintly, though, a tiny, thin bell.

Suddenly George Fury was looking very strange. Not in any way he had looked before. The old weathered face drew taut.

The crowd in the bar had fallen quiet for Melody Jones. They gave back as he walked, making room. They made a broad place for him at the bar.

George Fury came to the empty space beside Melody. But George was not looking at him. His shoulder was turned toward Melody a little, and his eyes were active across all those other faces.

The bartender was whipping out a special long-necked bottle, and his hand was unsteady as he poured. He said, very low, "Your pleasure, gents," and tossed out a clean glass for George Fury.

"No, thanks," George Fury said, hardly hearing it himself.

Two or three who had drawn back from the bar eased forward now, resuming their places. Melody turned sharply on them—showing off for George Fury—and they fell back again.

Melody swayed over to speak confidentially in George Fury's ear. "Get that sheep look off your old swizzle, will you? You're all right 'long's you're with me. See, now?"

George Fury said, "Come out of here."

Melody Jones had never heard him speak so flat and low. "Turn your back, if you have to. But don't tetch no gun . . ."

Melody looked at George for a little bit; then he slowly drank the deep drink the bartender had poured. "Best liquor I ever et," he said. "Where you get that?"

"I make it," the bartender said, speaking like a child. "Listen—we didn't mean nothing—just the boys 'avin' a little fun with Roscoe, here—like you might yourself."

"Sure," Melody said vaguely. "You don't want nothing?" he said to George.

"Pay and come on," George Fury said. "Now!" As Melody looked at George Fury's face he saw a faint damp sheen, like river-bottom dew, across Fury's forehead. Melody gave in.

"How much?"

"House. On the house. Any time," the bartender said. His words had that strangeness you sometimes hear when a voice does not properly fit the face from which it comes.

Melody looked at him oddly, then turned to follow George, swaggering slowly, his hands in the gunfighter's

hook. George Fury let Melody pass, then backed out stiffly, his eyes watchful all over the bar.

"You see," Melody Jones said when they were alone on the boardwalk. "You see?" He looked sidelong at George Fury.

George was looking at Melody with glazed eyes. He was shaking with a minute harsh tremor, like the shifting of sand. "We got to get out of here," he said hoarsely.

"What?"

"We fetched up in a lounical asylum, that's what we done!"

"How's that again?"

"I've knowed fellers that sprung a brain," George Fury said. "But this is the first time I ever see a whole town go high-leppin' crazy like one man!"

George tapped Melody's breastbone with his forefinger. "Loco weed! You've see it crazy up a hoss. Now you've see it crazy up a town!"

Melody thought that over, but he was looking at George queerly now. "They wouldn't eat it," he decided. "Not everybody in town."

"Maybe it got in the flour. Maybe it got threshed right in wholesale. Melody scratched his chin. "What color?"

"Huh?"

"You figurin on the white loco, or the blue loco?"

George angered. "Don't you go sassin me," he snapped. "I don't aim to stand fer it! What color! What do I keer what color!" The steam went out of him as quickly as it had risen. His voice was almost

plaintive, it sounded so weary and far away. "I want my cayuse," he said. "Gimme my cayuse, with my saddle on him, and two rods head go. That's all I ask."

A whispered warning, hissing and frantic, burst almost from George Fury's elbow.

"Senor—no to bayas! No to bayas, senor!" A brown mestizo boy, very Mexican, but very Indian too, was calling out to Melody under his breath from the narrow slit between the Grand Eastern and the saddlery.

"Don't go to the corral! Don't look at me! Somebody with rifle, he's wait in the hay barn. He's for kill you, you go there!"



He had never seen her before in his life.

George Fury turned relaxed and cool. He shot an ironic glance of "I told you," at Melody; then turned his back casually on the opening from which the brown boy spoke. His stiff gnarled fingers were perfectly steady as he began to roll a cigarette.

"Who, son?" he said from the side of his mouth. "What hay barn?"

"At the corral," came the thin scared whisper from between the buildings. "Don't know who. You come—I show you . . ."

George Fury's eyes flicked left and right along the street as he licked shut his cigarette. Then he unhurriedly faded backwards into the narrow opening. Once out of sight of the street, he turned and went with the mestizo boy, shaking his gun loose in his holster.

Melody Jones hesitated, fidgeted, then followed.

"There," whispered the Mexican boy. "Up where the hay live. This near corner—where the loose board is from at . . ."

They saw it then—a small, unexplained projection, sticking out of an aperture where a loose plank had been swung aside. It might have been the head of a snake, or a man's thumb. But it wasn't. It was the muzzle of a buffalo gun, sighted on the front gate of the corral.

George sidled past Melody and led the way to the street. They didn't have much to say to each other for a little while. Out on the board

sidewalk of Court Street they leaned against the front of the saddlery, slow-moving, but edgily alert. George slowly lit his cigarette without looking at it. His eyes were all up and down the empty, sun-blazing street. Melody got out his tobacco sack, then stood for some time holding it in his hand. Finally he put it away again without making a smoke. He had forgotten what he started to do.

"You have any trouble with anybody," George asked Melody, "the whilst you was down the street?"

"Well—no—no," Melody considered. "Not what you'd call a bother, as bothers go."

"Melody, this ain't no time to be holdin' something back!"

"Well," Melody admitted, "I did kind of slap a feller. Just with my open hand."

"You kind of slapped a feller," George repeated, his tone slow and thick. "What did he do?"

"He set down."

"You slapped him, and he set . . . Melody, how come you done this thing?"

Melody was willing to answer, but he didn't know. "Just to larn him, I reckon," he shrugged it off.

George Fury drew a long sigh. "We'll try to make it to the foot of the street," he told Melody. "If'n so be it we git there, we'll cut back and circle, and wade the creek, and try at coming onto the corral from behind. We got to have them ponies Melody, some kind of way. That saddle alone set me forty-seven duffers."

"All right, George."

Slowly, carefully to give no sign of haste, George and Melody wheeled back the way they had come.

And now Melody saw the girl again. She was coming quickly along the street with a nervous, reaching stride, and she was walking straight toward Melody, as straight as a surveyor's sight. Because her eyes were narrowed against the sun, he didn't know at first that her attention was fixed upon his face.

Suddenly he realized it was time to get out of her way. She was walking at him as directly as if he were a door, or an invisible man. Melody made a faint uncertain wobble to the left, then to the right, and stood rooted in the middle of the walk; for the girl smiled at him now, and still came straight toward him.

"Darling," she said to Melody. Her voice was clear, and strong enough to be heard by some of the shadowy men who were waiting now from a dozen doorways. "Darling!"

She put her arms about his neck, pulling him head down; and kissed him squarely.

Melody's hands held her gingerly, cupped lightly upon her back, and he was upset to find that she was shaking. As her arms slackened about his neck he saw that her eyes were grey, with blue shadows under them that didn't seem to belong there; and she was looking from under his eyes to the other one with a question approaching panic. The one thing he was certain of was that he had never seen her before in his life.

Melody made a faint sound, like the stutter of a duck.

She averted her eyes by pressing her cheek against the side of his jaw, and spoke to him rapidly. Her words were breathless, but now barely audible.

"Don't go to the corral," she said. "Don't go any place. Keep your backs against the wall, here. They'll never dare come at you from in front."

"What?" Over her shoulder Melody saw George Fury's blank misery.

"I'll get your ponies and bring them here. Don't move until I come."

George studied Melody's stupefied face, and conceived that their case was desperate.

"Naow, mam," George Fury said, "yew jest looky here—"

The girl flashed George Fury a smile of dazzling warmth. "Howdy, Roscoe," she said.

George made a noise like a man kicked in the stomach.

She disengaged herself from Melody, gave his arm a little fluttering pat, and hurried on past the Grand Eastern, toward the alley to the corral. Just before she disappeared around the corner of the Grand Eastern she turned back, and tried to convey something to Melody silently, but Melody didn't catch it.

George Fury had glued himself to the wall of the saddlery, as he had been told. "Who's the?"

"I swear I never seen her before in all my born days!"

A roaring flub-dub of hoofs sounded in the corral alley. A two-pony buckboard swung out of the alley into the street, nearly turning over as one wheel hooked the high edge of the boardwalk. The girl was driving, and having plenty of trouble, because the horses were half broke, and she was trying to drive them with one hand while leading George's and Melody's ponies with the other. They stepped out into the dust and helped her stop the team.

"Ride close by my wheel," she said as they took their horses from her. "Don't ask any questions. Believe me—please believe me—it's your one best hope!"

(TO BE CONTINUED)

GRASSROOTS

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BREAKING DOWN DEBT TO UNDERSTANDABLE FIGURES

AINSWORTH, IOWA, was, and I believe, still is, a country town of some 800 people. It is the market and cultural center of an agricultural section. Its people are of the types found in thousands of similar American country towns. They are frugal and thrifty as individuals and collectively as a community. Anything that would add to their tax burden would receive careful consideration before a decision to go ahead. Such a proposal as a bond issue of \$100,000 for a new school house would be provocative of much discussion.

Collectively the people of Ainsworth have a debt of \$1,300,000 over their heads that they do not consider, and in the creation of which they had but an imperceptible voice. The portion of the national debt of each of the 800 individuals, men, women and children, of Ainsworth is \$1,625, a collective total of \$1,300,000. On that they are paying each year \$26,000 as interest. Just as the principal and interest on the school house bonds would be paid in taxes they, their children and grandchildren, will pay their part of the national debt, and pay each year that \$26,000 interest. They pay it in taxes, both direct and indirect. A part of the price of everything they buy represents taxes paid indirectly. That \$1,300,000 is a bonded indebtedness of Ainsworth, and the interest is an annual charge against the people of Ainsworth. The same simple principle can be applied to any and every town or city in the United States.

It is only when we break down the staggering sum into individual, family or community portions that we even begin to realize what the national debt means. We cannot visualize sums that run into many billions as applying in any way to us as individuals, but they do to the extent, at the present time, of \$1,625 for each man, woman and child in the nation.

U. S. CAN FIGHT AS WELL AS PAY

WE MADE WORLD WAR I our fight by declaring war on Germany, and the same is true of this conflict. In World War I England, France and Italy felt, and said, that as we had not paid as heavily in casualties as they had, it was up to America to pay in dollars. In this conflict we are paying both in casualties and in dollars. Four American armies are engaged in the fighting in France and Germany. With these four are associated one Canadian army, one English and one French. On the Italian front there is one American army and one composed of English, French, Polish, Italian, South African, Indian and Australian troops. It is an American army that has done most of the fighting in Burma, and General MacArthur's forces in the South Pacific consist largely of American troops with a sprinkling of Australians. We have fully demonstrated that we can fight as well as pay.

POLITICAL PATRONAGE AND BESTOWING OF JOBS

POLITICAL PATRONAGE is the privilege of bestowing jobs. Just what effect these jobs may have on any election is anybody's guess. In the years before World War I the number of civilian employees of the federal government was well under the half million point. During that war the number increased to a bit over 900,000. By 1932 the total had dropped back to 587,000. In 1944 it had climbed again to a bit over 3,200,000. To the extent, whatever it may be, that patronage affects elections that number could have affected the result of the last election. That number of federal civilian job holders was practically one-third greater than the total of civilian employees of all the states, counties and cities of the nation, including school teachers, police and firemen. You can do your own guessing.

NATIONAL SERVICE ACT

THE PRESIDENT and our military and naval leaders said a national service act is needed to more quickly win the war and save American lives. The labor leaders said they did not want a service act. In congress, in which was vested the final say, many members preferred to follow the labor leaders. Such leaders represented more votes than did those whose job it is to win the war. What will the people say to those members at the next congressional election?

THE STARVING PEOPLE OF EUROPE are looking to America for food. The American farmer will not permit that call to go unanswered. For the farmer the war will not end with the silencing of the guns. His war job will be far from complete. To feed the hungry is as important as is crushing the enemy.

THE LONGER THE WARS LAST the greater our pleasure at their ending, and the more emphatic our demands for a permanent peace.

ASK ME ANOTHER?

A General Quiz

The Questions

1. What was Michelangelo's comment about trifles?
2. In aviation ceiling zero means what?
3. Who was the only bachelor President of the United States?
4. What word is used to describe the use of many words when the use of a few would suffice?
5. What was the planned height of the Tower of Babel?
6. Were Lincoln and Lee names of generals in the American Revolutionary war?
7. Where did the modern circus originate?
8. What character in the Bible died twice?

The Answers

1. "Trifles make perfection and perfection is no trifle."
2. The fog is down to the ground.
3. James Buchanan.
4. Circumlocution.
5. High enough to reach heaven.
6. Yes, Benjamin Lincoln and Henry Lee.
7. In England in the 17th century.
8. Lazarus.

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SNAPPY FACTS ABOUT RUBBER

Overloading has been responsible for much lost tire mileage on commercial and farm motor trucks. Loading of a truck or trailer so the weight is evenly distributed to all load-carrying wheels will prove an important rubber conservation measure. It pays to check loads.

If the average rubber consumption in China, Russia and India were brought up to American rubber consumption standards, they would require 4,500,000 tons of rubber a year, nearly twice as much as the anticipated world supply of natural and synthetic rubber after the war, B. F. Goodrich officials declare.

James Shaw

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Carl L. Brown, Publisher



Seed Corn

In the early days of my practical usefulness on a farm a show-off cousin of even age visited us every year when, in James Whitcomb Riley's words, "the frost was on the pumpkin and the fodder in the shock." Not so poetical perhaps, but we always had a few porkers fattening in the pen also. The "smart" lad shared my quarters and tried (I thought) to help me with my errands which included feeding the pigs.

One evening my father had to be away and I had extra chores so I trusted our visitor to feed the pigs alone. He finished in a surprisingly short time and I was most grateful until I learned that he had fed my father's hand-reared and expensive seed corn because it was already shucked. He must have figured that I had stupidly overfed this special box of fine ears all fall.

He was a smart Alec. In defense, the smart Alec argued that it made no difference; he had fed the pigs corn, just like all other corn, which had no value above any other nubbins in the crib. Special species, careful cultivation, critical selection, painstaking care and fancy price were all lost on him. He saw only the convenience of the hour. I hope he has changed but I know some grown men who act that way now.

We have people in America trying to devalue things more precious than gold—the very germs of prosperity. National prosperity is all we with national income, just like personal prosperity and personal income are the same thing. Now, with 75% of us, personal income depends on a job, so national income depends on a lot of jobs. High employment is the goal of all sensible post-war plans.

Let Work Thrive
As I write this, victory in the European theater of war is expected any day. Many forecasters say we may look for it before winter actually sets in. When it comes we must guard the safety of our seed corn. We must jealously protect those priceless sparks of life from which jobs grow: Energy, education, enterprise. Whoever devalues these will be feeding Uncle Sam's seed corn to the pigs.

Pigs can be ear-marked but dangerous relatives are somewhat harder to identify. Some are lazy and wish human endeavor was of no use. They work and drones to eat the same fare. Others are greedy and conceit taxes to grab the fruits of other men's work. They love to squander what is not their own. A few are just plain tough. They think in terms of power, reprisal, pillage and terrorism.

Look to the Future
Bureaucratic brainbusters can torment small employers until they quit business. Power-mad plutocrats can choke American enterprise by forcing government into it. Moon-struck Pandoras can handcuff honest workers by pampering pet lounge-lizards. But the provident people of the United States want something spared today that will grow tomorrow and prosper in years to come.

We still have our smart-Alec relatives, able to make short work of valuable things; able to kill a year's hope in a reckless moment and argue that it's right. It must not happen. We need good seed for our post-war employment crop. Representative, constitutional government; Government by law and not by a man's directive; Freedom to own property and operate business in the hope of profit! These are a few kernels that must live if freedom lives.

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

This curfew is maybe gonna do some good. We been in a lather about youth delinquency. But according to my deduction and research department, the number of delinquent girls and boys is about the same as the number of palpatin' mamas and high-steppin' papas—no more, no less. Get the mamas and papas home a coupla jumps ahead of the milkman and set the youngsters an example, maybe a good idea.

But with delinquency like with everything else, there are exceptions, I reckon, and lots of well

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

As wounded American boys come back from the battle fronts they find American Red Cross workers in all military and naval hospitals ready to help them. This year there will be more need than ever before for Red Cross service in domestic hospitals.

QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"Do you mean to say that pants have become non-essential?" — *Chas. A. Smith, Va., of House Committee investigating WPA-Q.T.I.*

"What are so many brass-hats doing in Miami this time of year?" — *Cornelius Vanderbilt, down there himself.*

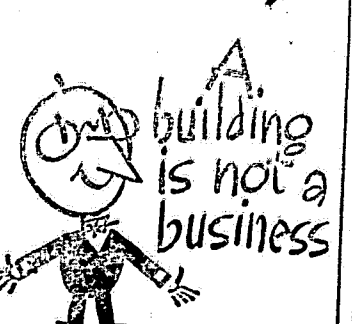
"Leave them home. One war is enough!" — *GI's reply to proposal by Rep. Fulton, Pa., to let wives visit overseas.*

"If the pay-as-you-go system is good for the 50,000,000 taxed laborers of this country, it is imperative for the government." — *Louis A. Dibble, Chm. Govt. Spending Comm., Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers.*

"I am opposed to the outright guarantee by government of employment and purchasing power because I realize the dangerous bypaths down which this would lead America." — *Pres. Philip Murray, CIO.*

"I'm going to be married. Is it all right to celebrate after midnight?" — *Query to New York curfew authorities.*

Don Harold says:



NOT THAT EASY

Prosperity is a picnic... on paper.

Some people say: "The government owns 920 war plants. If, after the war, each of them employed 50,000 people, that would be 46,000,000 jobs!" Just like that!

But an empty building, or even a building full of machinery, is not a business.

Most big American businesses were started by some little guy with little money, a big idea, a capacity for 10,000 headaches, and the guts to fight for 5, 10 or 20 years to lick obstacles, build an organization, perfect his product, persuade millions of people to like it and buy it.

Intentioned parents figure that their boys and girls are being taught everything at the school house—but they overlook the idea that all education is not just in a book. If you craved to be a prize fighter, you could read a book on prizefighting for 6 years and be knocked out in the first round. You need experience and practice.

The Boys Scouts and Girl Scouts are doing a good job—so are the 4-H clubs. But our school houses, they could tighten up a bit on theory and go in stronger on Domestic Science and Manual Training—also add *Esop's* Fables, and teach the difference between a real sheep and a wolf in sheep's clothing, which some grown-ups still don't know, if you will look at how some elections turn out, off and on. The boys and girls are okay—if we give 'em a break.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA

LAST BETHEL

Mrs. W. G. Holt returned home from Massachusetts Friday evening. She accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Tudolph Dietrich, and family home the previous Saturday. Mrs. Dietrich and children had been guests of her parents two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Farrar have been entertaining their young granddaughter, Sonia Swinton, of Rumford the past week. Freeman Merrill was home over Thursday night.

Mrs. Alfred Curtis was rushed to Rumford Community Hospital Saturday forenoon in Greenleaf's ambulance by Dr. Boynton, suffering from hemorrhages from the stomach. She was given a blood transfusion and is resting as well as can be expected. Mrs. Curtis had been caring for her father, A. R. Merrill and had been ill with a bad cold the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haines were in Norway Monday. Mrs. Haines cared for the baby during their absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Trask of North Paris were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Trask. Leslie (Fritz) Jr. came Friday to spend several days with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Trask.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Farwell were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Farwell and family of Woodstock, and Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Russell of Hanover.

Mrs. J. J. Olson and sister, Mrs. Earl Morgan of Bethel were in Bethel Thursday to see Mrs. Morgan's daughter Marilyn Alice, who was operated on for appendicitis recently.

Mrs. John Howe was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mason, West Bethel from Wednesday until Friday.

Victor Brooks is enjoying a seventeen day leave with Mrs. Brooks at E. A. Billings.

Mary Alice Hastings spent the week end with Daven Marble at West Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Curtis and family of Poland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haines Sunday.

Lucky Clover 4-H Club held a meeting at the school house Monday afternoon. Each member earned and gave 50 cents towards the Red Cross War Fund. Care and use of the flag was taken up. Each one read or told something about the flag.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Swan Jr. and family and Mrs. Ida Blake, went to Farmington Tuesday. Victor Robinson, accompanied them part way and will visit relatives in Peru and Livermore before returning here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan and Sunday at Ernest Curtis' at Tubbs District.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonas Holt and son were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Chase at West Paris.

A card party was held at the school house Saturday evening. Proceeds went to the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cole of Portland are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Yates for a few days.

Pupils having one hundred in spelling for the week ending, March 16 were Joan and Mary Tamminen, grade five, Patricia Tamminen, grade five, Patricia Tamminen, grade five, Althea Rogers, grade four and Alpo Saarinen, grade four.

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HELICOPTER ON MERCY FLIGHT TO AID INJURED TEST PILOT



Dr. Thomas C. Marriott boards Bell helicopter for flight to administer aid to injured flyer marooned at snowbound farmhouse. Pilot Floyd Carlson is at controls.

One of the many practical uses of the helicopter was dramatized in a real life episode recently in Buffalo, New York, when a doctor was flown in a helicopter to a snow-isolated farmhouse where an injured test pilot was marooned.

The injured man, Test Pilot Jack Woolams, received medical attention three hours before roads could be cleared to permit arrival of an ambulance. Woolams had bailed out of his pursuit plane and lost his flying boots when the parachute opened. After landing, he walked barefooted one and one-half miles through deep snow to the farmhouse.

With frostbitten feet and a head laceration, Woolams was in need of immediate medical aid. President

Larry Bell, of Bell Aircraft Corporation, called for the company's two-passenger helicopter to go to the scene. Pilot Floyd Carlson flew the rotary aircraft twenty miles and picked up Dr. Thomas C. Marriott who was waiting in a snow-bound ambulance. In a few minutes, the helicopter was in the farmer's front yard and the doctor was treating the injured flyer.

After his flight, Dr. Marriott informed that he was the first physician in the country to use a helicopter on a mercy mission, reported the ease and efficiency of transferring him from the road to the farm convinced me that helicopters will be invaluable in reaching marooned persons, delivering rush orders of serum and plasma and performing all types of rescue work.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE

Attendance at the Church service Sunday afternoon increased to 21, with 11 at Sunday school. The service was conducted by Rev. W. I. Bull, with Lillian Cash assisting with Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Scribner called at Harlan Bumpus' Monday afternoon.

The Crooked River Victory 4-H Club held a meeting at the Town House Saturday, March 17th. This was an all day meeting with the Cooking and Housekeeping girls cooking and serving dinner to 13 members and visitors. Miss Catherine Powers was present and after the business meeting held a Judging Contest on Record Sheets.

The next meeting will be a "clean-up" day at the Town House, March 21st.

Bernard Harrington called at Harlan Bumpus' one evening last week.

Miss Lorraine Phillips of Rumford and Betty Smith of Bethel spent the week end with Marlon Lapham.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and children were in North Waterford Sunday.

Miss Ruth Hutchinson of West Bethel spent the week end at Clyde Hall's.

Game Warden Alfred Jackson was at L. J. Andrews' recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert McAllister and family of Bethel were at Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews' Saturday evening, where they were given a "St. Patrick's Day" supper and party in honor of their 17th Wedding Anniversary.

A. A. Bruce helped L. J. Andrews a few days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and children called at Harlan Bumpus' Monday evening.

SONGO POND

Mrs. Eva Barker and two sons, Gordon and Ronald of Norway and Mrs. Florence Graves and Carl Stone of South Paris were guests at Leslie Kimball's Saturday.

The Bucks are all sick with the prevailing colds that seem to be going around this vicinity.

The ice is beginning to leave the shore of Songo Pond.

Sunday callers at Leslie Kimball's were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball and Dorcas Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kimball and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jewel and son Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Grindie and Gloria Jean were at Elmer Sanders Saturday evening.

Seldon Grover was in Bethel Monday on business.

NEWRY CORNER

Mrs. Frances Davis who has been employed by Mr. and Mrs. Cheslie Saunders has completed her duties there and is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davis for a time.

Mrs. Herbert Morton Sr. is a patient in the Eye and Ear Infirmary in Portland.

The March meeting of the North Newry Farm Bureau was held Wednesday afternoon, March 14 at Mrs. Bertha Davis' home. Leader was Mrs. Ida Wight with "Home Made Mixes" the subject taken up. An informal tea was served. It was voted to donate \$5.00 to the Red Cross Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone of Berlin were in town Saturday. Mrs. Croteau was in town making calls last week in the interest of the Red Cross.

The next Farm Bureau meeting will be April 17 with Mrs. Brown as leader, subject to be "Minute Savers." Place of meeting to be announced later.

Abie Merrill of East Bethel is being cared for at the home of his son, Joel Merrill.

MIDDLE INTERVALE

Mrs. Richard Carter visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cotton at Mechanic Falls one day last week.

Mr. George Brown spent the week end at E. S. Buck's.

Mrs. Leona Buck is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Hall.

Clarence Jenkins and Miss Minnie Capen called at Augustus Carter's, Sunday.

Mrs. Harold Bartlett was in Rumford, Monday.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. Ed Taylor and son were at Mrs. Hardy's two week.

Mrs. Edgar Davis and son, visited one afternoon with Miss Hazel Abbott.

Basel Greene called evening to see Richard Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moe visited several days with his mother, M. Jenkins.

Mrs. Frank Sweetser visited Wednesday with her sister.

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF MAINE
Registration and Licensing
(Chapter 88, Sections 8 to 10)
ASSESSORS TO MAKE
OF ALL DOGS; RETURN
CLERKS OF CITIES
TOWNS AND TO COMMIS-
SIONER OF AGRICULTURE

Section 8. Assessors of shall include in their inventories of all dogs six months over, owned or kept by a habitant on the 1st day of setting the number and sex of opposite the names of the owner or owners or keepers shall make returns to the clerk of their respective cities or towns or to the commissioner of agriculture or his authorized agent of lists on or before the 15th of June following.

The commissioner of agriculture or his authorized agent shall, before the 1st day of September of each year report to the clerk of state the number of dogs killed, and the number of dogs found in each city or town, together with the amount due from each city or town for licenses.

The treasurer of state shall if the municipal officers of city or town before October 1st each year of the amount due state for dog licenses, on which amount he shall allow credit for all dogs reported killed.

If any city or town fail to report to the treasurer of state on or before October 15, of each year a sum of money equal to the license required by sections 8 to 25 inclusive on all dogs living on the 15th of June preceding, such deficiency shall be added to the state tax such delinquent city or town the following year.

DOGS NOT BE REGISTERED AND UNLAWFULLY NUMBERED AND LICENSED

Section 9. On or before 1st day of April of each year owner or keeper of any dog months old or over shall apply the city or town clerk either orally in writing for a license for such dog owned or kept by him. Such application shall state the breed, sex, color and markings such dogs, and the name and address of the last previous owner.

A fee of 90c shall be paid the city or town clerk for each license issued on male dogs, and a fee of \$4.00 shall be paid for all female dogs capable of bearing young. A female dog shall be considered capable of producing young unless certificate, or previous license record is presented from a licensed veterinarian stating that such female was made incapable of bearing young by spaying by him. When such certificate accompanies the application a fee of 90c shall then be paid on such spayed females. In addition to the amount paid for license and metal tag, each applicant shall pay the city or town clerk 25c for the recording and making a return to the commissioner of agriculture.

Such licenses shall be made in triplicate, the original copy shall be mailed to the commissioner of agriculture, 1 copy given to the person applying for the license, and 1 copy retained by the city or town clerk.

A metal tag showing the year such license is issued and bearing such other data as the commissioner of agriculture may prescribe shall be given with each license and must be securely attached to a leather or metal collar which must be worn at all times by the dog for which the license was issued and it shall be unlawful for any person to remove such tag or to place either collar or tag on any dog not described or for which the license was not issued.

Returns from clerks of cities, towns and plantations, showing all licenses issued by them together with a correct report showing the total number of dogs in "both sexes" found by the city or town assessors and the number of dogs killed shall be made to the commissioner of agriculture not later than the 1st day of July each year.

All license blanks and metal tags shall be furnished by the commissioner of agriculture. The representative of the department of agriculture in charge of animal husbandry shall be known as the animal husbandry specialist, and shall devote his time to carrying out of the provisions of the dog licensing laws and the adjustment of claims for damages to livestock by dogs and wild animals and to the promotion of animal husbandry within the state. The expense of furnishing the above-mentioned blanks and tags and the necessary clerk hire and travel, and the salary of the animal husbandry specialist shall be paid from the funds received from the licensing of dogs; provided, however, that not more than \$7,000 per year shall be expended under the provisions of this section, and provided further that out of the money received for dog licenses as much as is necessary, up to \$7,000, is hereby allocated for the purposes of this section.

Any person becoming the owner or keeper of a dog after the 1st day of April, not duly licensed as herein required, shall, within 10 days after he becomes the owner or

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The commissioner of agriculture or his authorized agent shall, on or before the 1st day of September of each year report to the treasurer of state the number of dogs by sex, the number of dogs reported killed, and the number of kennels found in each city or town, together with the amount due the state from each city or town for dog licenses.

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All license blanks and metal tags shall be furnished by the commissioner of agriculture. The representative of the department of agriculture in charge of animal husbandry shall be known as the animal husbandry specialist, and shall devote his time to carrying out of the provisions of the dog licensing laws and the adjustment of claims for damages to livestock by dogs and wild animals and to the promotion of animal husbandry within the state. The expense of furnishing the above-mentioned blanks and tags and the necessary clerk hire and travel, and the salary of the animal husbandry specialist shall be paid from the funds received from the licensing of dogs; provided, however, that not more than \$7,000 per year shall be expended under the provisions of this section, and provided further that out of the money received for dog licenses as much as is necessary, up to \$7,000, is hereby allocated for the purposes of this section.

Any person becoming the owner or keeper of a dog after the 1st day of April, not duly licensed as here-in required, shall, within 10 days after he becomes the owner or

James Knights, Mrs. Hanno Cushman and children visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Buck.

George Cushman is very poorly. Clinton Buck entered the Rumford Hospital on Tuesday for X-rays and observation.

Mrs. Herman Cole and son, Richard were at Rumford Saturday with Mrs. Otis Dudley and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Greene were at C. James Knights Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coffin entertained a family gathering Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. C. James Knight and children spent Friday evening at Otis Dudley's.

keeper of said dog, cause said dog to be described and licensed as provided above.

Every owner or keeper of dogs, kept for breeding purposes, may receive annually a special kennel license authorizing him to keep said dogs for said purpose, provided he keep said dogs within a proper enclosure. When the number of dogs so kept does not exceed 10, the fee for such license shall be \$9.00, and in addition 25c for each such dog as a fee for the recording and making the return required by law, when the number of dogs so kept exceeds 10, the fee for such license shall be \$19.00 and in addition 25c for each such license as a fee for the recording and making the return required by law, and no fees shall be required for the dogs of such owner or keeper under the provisions of this section.

Section 10. The clerks of cities and towns shall issue said licenses and receive the money therefor, and pay the same to the treasurer of state, who shall credit the same to the fund called "Dog Licenses."

Such clerks shall keep a record of all licenses issued by them, with the names of the owners or keepers of dogs licensed, and the sex, registered numbers and description of all such dogs, provided, however, that the sex, registered number, and description shall not be required of dogs covered by a kennel license.

PENALTY FOR KEEPING UNLICENSED DOG

Section 11. Whoever keeps a dog contrary to the provisions of sections 8 to 25, inclusive, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$25 to be recovered by complaint before any trial justice or municipal court in the county where such owner or keeper resides.

Section 12. The mayor of each city and the municipal officers of each town or plantation shall annually within 10 days after the 1st day of May issue a warrant returning, to one or more police officers or constables, directing him or them to proceed forthwith to enter each town or plantation which are not licensed, collared and tagged, or enclosed as required by sections 8 to 25 inclusive and to enter complaint and summons to court the owner or keeper of any unlicensed dog.

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UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bernier and family have moved home.

Mrs. A. E. Allen went to Andover Monday this week to visit her mother, Mrs. Averill and help her a few days.

Mrs. K. A. Hinkley attended Farm Bureau at Andover Tuesday, March 23. The subject of meeting was "Home Made Mixes."

Mr. and Mrs. Ray D. Thompson of Natick, Mass., spent several days last week with her sister, Mrs. Elsie Douglas. While here they painted the inside of their house. On Friday their son, Dexter Thompson, Miss Merle Corners and George Scott arrived. The whole party returned home Sunday.

The P. T. A. is sponsoring a sunrise Easter service. C. A. Judkins and Mrs. Bertha Lombard are on the committee for the service program.

Mrs. K. A. Hinkley and Mrs. A. E. Allen are on committee for service of Easter breakfast for the benefit of the Red Cross. They are now making plans for same.

Wm. Barnett, Clayton Barnett, George Purple, Miss Annie Burnett and Earl Milligan all of Rumford were in town Sunday.

David Milligan, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Boucher of Bath were home over the week end.

Ernest Holt of Bethel spent the week end with his family in town.

Kenneth Flint of Claremont, N. H., is staying with Leslie Fuller while he is trapping beaver in New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hammond and two children of Colebrook, N. H. were Sunday guests of her sister, Mrs. Gladys Angeline. The daughter, Mrs. Clara Hammond, will remain with Mrs. Angeline for a week.

BRYANT POND

Mrs. Inez Whitman, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Berry of Gorham, N. H., were Sunday visitors at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Homer Farnum, and family.

Carroll Farnum and Porter Swan have been on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McInnis and children Ruth, Lois and Donald were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe at West Bethel.

Kenneth McInnis Jr. is at Camp Denon but expects to move from there soon.

Clinton Buck expects to go Thursday to the Rumford Community Hospital for treatment.

The snow is going fast and robins and bluebirds have arrived and also striped squirrels have been seen.

Judith Grover Tent No. 17, D of U V met at the home of Mrs. Inez Whitman Tuesday evening, March 19th with every officer present. Attendance, 16. It was voted to make a donation to the Red Cross. The Patriotic Instruction, Ruth Dunham, announced that there would be a "fish pond" at the next meeting. Mrs. Myrtle Clifford crocheted an apron and donated it to the Tent. It was won by Verna Swan. Two applications for membership were received. Refreshments of sandwiches, cup cakes and hot chocolate were served after the meeting by Clara Whitman and Myrtle Clifford.

Franklin Grange met Saturday evening, March 17, with all officers present. The 1st and 2nd degrees were conferred on the following candidate, Evelyn Farnum. Mildred Buck, Lucille McInnis, Bernice Sessions, Norma Cox, Alberta Dunham, Arthur Ring and Edwin Howe. Two former members, Helen Ring and Ethyl McKenzie were reinstated. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were on sale after the meeting.

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LOCKE MILLS

Adelaide W. Lister, Correspondent

The Get-Together Club sponsored a Box Social and dance at the Town Hall last Saturday, for the benefit of the Church. The attendance was small and it is to be regretted that the other people took so little interest in something for the Church. Why not back up the young folks when they try to do something for so worth while a cause?

Leaders meeting on "Home Mixes" was held at the home of Mrs. Florence Swift last week. Representatives were present from Middle Intervale, E. Bethel, South Woodstock and Locke Mills.

The Farm Bureau met at the home of Mrs. D. H. Peabody Wednesday, enjoying dinner together. King Bartlett has sold his home to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robinson, who will occupy same about the first of April.

Much interest has been aroused at the village school by a contest in the purchase of Defense Stamps. Each room has been divided into two sides, Army and Navy. The primary Captain of the Army is Albert Cross, and of the Navy, Colly Martin. The intermediate Army Captain is David Jordan, and the Navy, Paul Bartlett. The grammar Army Captain is Raymond Jordan, and the Navy, Belmont House. Last week the purchases were as follows: Primary, Army, \$5.55; Navy, \$4.90; Intermediate, Army, \$9.10; Navy, \$1.65; Grammar, Army, \$3.00; Navy, \$1.65. Arnold Jordan purchased a Bond Saturday. Alberta Baker and Ronald Jordan have also purchased one each recently.

Mrs. Dorothy Lowell, her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Hebert, and her two sons, Linwood, Jr. and Stanley, spent the past week end at home.

John Davis, who has been critically ill for the past month, is able to go out on pleasant days but has not returned to school as yet.

Mrs. Emma Day and Mrs. Bertha Mason were at Bethel one day last week.

Mrs. Myra Jordan was at Lewiston last Saturday.

Mrs. George Mason was at the C. M. G. Hospital Saturday to visit her son, Charles Jr., who is gaining slowly.

On February 24th at 2 P. M. at the Baptist Church Parsonage, South Portland, Rupert L. Farnham and Esther L. Johnson of Bryant Pond were united in marriage, the double ring service being used. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wilson and Mrs. Florence Peckham of Portland were witnesses. There were no attendants. Immediately following the service the couple left by plane for Boston.

Mrs. Mary Mills has been ill for the past few days.

Mrs. Lester Swan is ill.

VERMONT ACCIDENT INS. CO. Rutland, Vermont

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Mortgage Loans	\$5,616.60
Stocks and Bonds	125,310.17
Cash in Office and Bank	21,061.36
Interest and Rents	1,055.17
All other Assets	3,311.53
Gross Assets	\$156,354.83
Deduct Items not admitted	19.65
Admitted	\$156,375.79

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	\$20,500.00
Unearned Premiums	14,507.19
All other Liabilities	1,100.00
Cash Capital	\$5,000.00
Surplus over all Liab.	\$1,611.61
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$156,375.79

FARM BUREAU MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE CO. Concord, New Hampshire

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Real Estate	\$39,407.01
Stocks and Bonds	615,338.34
Cash in Office & Bank	58,003.81
Agents' Balances	16,550.37
Interest and Rents	3,219.49
All other Assets	42,558.71
Gross Assets	\$771,058.64
Admitted	\$771,058.64

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	\$133,517.29
Unearned Premiums	417.50
All other Liabilities	7,355.19
Contingent Surplus to policyholders - Guarantee deposits	137,495.52
Surplus over all Liabilities	442,260.14
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$771,058.64

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Whereas Ruby Perkins, of Bethel, County of Oxford, State of Maine, by her mortgage deed dated December 7, 1935 and recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Book 410, Page 475, conveyed to me, the undersigned, Leslie E. Davis, of said Bethel, a certain parcel of land situated in said Bethel, in Bethel Village, on the northeasterly side of Vernon Street, and bounded as follows: beginning at a stake on said Vernon Street, one hundred thirty-eight (138) feet from line of land of Fred L. Edwards; thence northeasterly one hundred feet to a stake; thence southeasterly one hundred twenty-five feet to a stake; thence southwesterly one hundred feet to the point of beginning; with the buildings thereon. Said parcel being the same named and bounded in deed of Emma Stearns to Ruby Perkins, dated August 1, 1935, recorded in said registry, book 415, page 76; and whereas the condition of said mortgage has been broken; Now therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof, I, the said Davis, claim a foreclosure of said mortgage.

LESLIE E. DAVIS
Dated March 6, 1945.

HANOVER

Correspondent—Mrs. W. W. Worcester

Our first robins were seen during the week of March 16. W. C. Holt was in town Wednesday of last week.

The K. P. held their regular meeting Wednesday of last week. The meetings will be held weekly from now on.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Worcester and sons, David and Clement, Auburn spent the week end in town.

Willis Penney went to Rockland Friday, returning early in the week. During his absence Mrs. Penney and baby Alice spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Elliott.

Mrs. Una Stearns and Mrs. Mary Cummings attended the Farm Bureau meeting, Tuesday at Rumford Center.

Several from here went to the Gould Academy play at Bethel Friday night.

Mrs. G. C. Barker was in Portland last week.

Will Thomas is reported as being poorly.

Ira Brown has bought the camps used by the Stowell Co. and is taking them down.

The What Not Club met with Miss Ann Cummings Saturday night. The Mens Club held a father and son banquet at Rumford Center Tuesday night.

Gertrude and Amy Penner of Bethel spent the week end with Ann Cummings.

ROWE HILL

Mrs. Hope Caskey, R. N. of Portland was guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Colly Ring over the week end.

Miss Eunice Palmer was at home here from Berlin, N. H. over the week end.

Lillian and Rodney Ring of West Peru were guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Bryant, over the week end.

Mrs. Margaret Bryant and William, also Mrs. Ray Hanson were in South Paris Saturday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Colly Ring and Hope were callers at Greenwood Center Sunday.

The frost is coming out of the road so the school bus and mailman cannot go over Rowe Hill at present.

Mrs. Winifred Hanson has collected \$20.00 at Rowe Hill and Greenwood Center the past week on the Red Cross drive.

It is the first day of spring and trying to melt. Hope it clears the roads of frost. There does not seem to be any frost in the fields and the snow is going fast.

Mrs. Winifred Hanson went to Bethel Saturday evening to the pictures.

Osman Palmer and Colly Ring were at Locke Mills Monday.

Northwestern Fire and Marine Insurance Company Minneapolis, Minnesota

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1944

Real Estate	\$81,615.81
Mortgage Loans	47,391.16
Collateral Loans	3,133,329.96
Cash in Office and Bank	1,130,277.00
Assets in transit	1,101.30
Other Assets	5,409,912.79
Gross Assets	\$10,000,000.00
Deduct Items not admitted	0.00
Admitted	\$10,000,000.00

LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1944

Net Unpaid Losses	\$21,553.21
Unearned Premiums	73,615.71
All other Liabilities	271,470.00
Cash Capital	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,125,851.08
Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$3,405,912.79

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KEYKO Margarine 1 lb. pkg. 25c

BISQUICK 40 oz. pkg. 30c

IGA

FLOUR 25 lb. bag \$1.27

IGA

Noted Painter Didn't Sign Or Remember His Works

The famous Anglo-American painter, John Singer Sargent, who died in 1925, neglected to sign some of his works and even forgot, years later, ever having painted them. But he could easily identify these pictures in a unique way. If a painting was his, a microscope would reveal a fine red or green line painted around the white objects because, owing to an eye defect, he saw them bordered in one of these colors.

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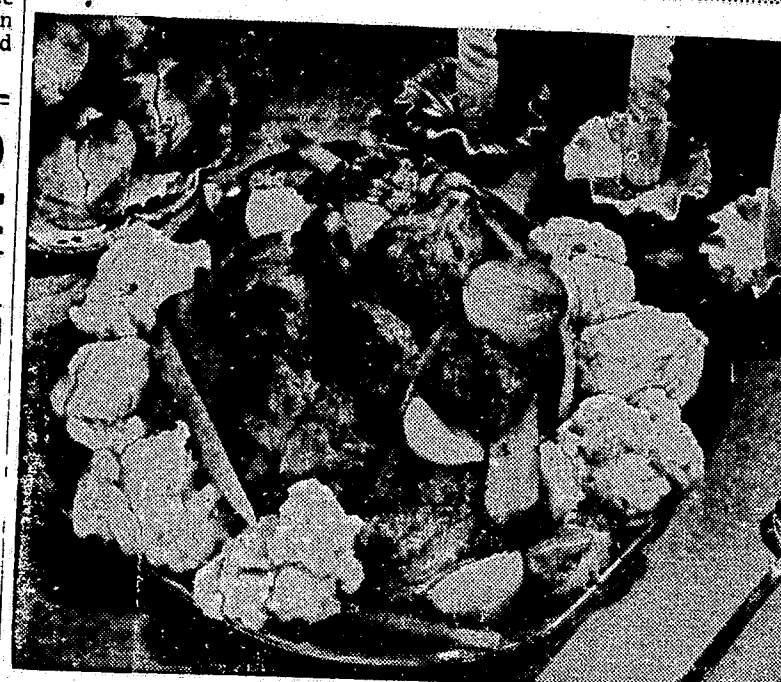
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Stew and Dumplings Are a Point-Saver (See Recipes Below)

Meat Magic

In 1944 the average civilian ate 143 pounds of meat. This year the outlook per civilian is estimated at about 134 pounds per person. It doesn't take much mental arithmetic to make us see that we'll be doing with less meat this year than before—but then, you've probably already noticed that trend at your butcher's. As a nation we're greater pork eaters than beef eaters, says a recent survey made by the government, but that will have to change at least for this year. Pork loins, hams, shoulders, spare ribs and bacon will continue to be scarce. The higher grades of beef are going to the armed forces, while lower grades of beef, though not abundant, will be more abundant. Veal supplies are quite scarce as are the top grades of lamb.

All of this means one thing for Mrs. America. She will get less meat, and if she wants to get meaty flavor it will have to be stretched. If she doesn't do that, she will have a few meals with meat and others without.

There are good ways to stretch meat—old-fashioned ways like dumplings, bread dressings and spaghetti. For those of you who choose having meat "as is" in your menus, there are delightful fish dishes to fill in the days when meat is unobtainable.

When you want those precious red points to do the most work for you, buy the low-point cuts and dress them up with herbs, flavorful gravies and colorful vegetables. Here's a lineup of recipes you'll well appreciate these days:

Lamb Stew With Dumplings.
(Serves 6)
2 pounds lamb
2 tablespoons flour
Salt and pepper
2 tablespoons lard
6 small potatoes
6 carrots
6 small onions
1 cup water

Cut lamb breast, flank or neck meat into 1½ inch cubes. Drain in flour, then brown well on all sides in hot lard. Season, add water and simmer 1½ hours. Add vegetables. Cover and continue cooking until vegetables are tender. Drop dumplings on top of meat and vegetables. Cover and cook without removing lid for 15 minutes.

Dumplings.
2 cups sifted flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons lard
1 egg
About ¾ cup milk

Lynn Says:

Meat Needs Stretching: Bread and cracker crumbs are natural for extending ground meats like lamb, beef, pork or veal. Use for meat loaves and patties.

Vegetables should start coming into their own for stretching stews, short ribs, roasts, etc. Carrots, onions, potatoes, green beans, tomatoes and cabbage are all mighty fine.

Don't neglect such dishes as meat pies with biscuit or mashed potato crusts. The meat mixture may be extended with gravy and vegetables.

Make surprise meat balls with rice tucked inside. Or, stretch the roast or braised meat with noodles and rich gravy.

Spaghetti and macaroni make a meal complete even if only a little meat is used. Use cream sauces with diced egg, seasoned tomato sauce or tasty gravy.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menus.
*Lamb Stew with Dumplings
Fresh Pears-Lime Gelatin Salad
Bran-Raisin Muffins
Orange Marmalade
*Chiffon Pie Beverage
*Recipe given.

Sift together dry ingredients. Cut in lard. Break egg into a one-cup measuring cup. Beat slightly with fork and add enough milk to make 1 cup liquid. Add liquid to dry ingredients. Stir lightly. Drop by spoonfuls into boiling broth or stew. Cover tightly and cook for 15 minutes without peeking. Do not remove cover. Serve at once. This recipe makes six large dumplings.

Liver is known as a variety meat because it has variety of texture and flavor. Here is a grand way to fix it:

Liver Supreme.
(Serves 6)
1½ pounds liver, sliced
¾ cup french dressing
6 carrots, sliced
6 onions
1 green pepper, sliced
¾ cup water

Marinate (soak) liver in french dressing for 30 minutes in refrigerator. Brown liver in hot drippings.

Top with vegetables and add the water. Cover tightly and cook slowly until both liver and vegetables are tender. Beef and pork liver require 45 minutes cooking time while lamb and veal liver need 30 minutes.

Whenever it's possible, use a combination of veal, pork and beef in your meat loaves. In the following recipe, the tastiness is increased by using sour cream, prepared mustard, paprika and Worcestershire sauce. Lemon juice adds piquancy to the meat when used, while brown sugar gives a bit of sweetening that you will enjoy. Use a large sized loaf pan for baking or shape into loaf when baking in a utility pan.

Spicy Meat Loaf.
(Serves 6 to 8)

1 pound ground beef
1 pound ground pork or veal
1½ cups bread crumbs
2 eggs, slightly beaten
1 cup milk
Salt and pepper
½ cup sour cream
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
1 teaspoon paprika
½ cup lemon juice or tomato catsup
2 teaspoons brown sugar
Dash of Worcestershire sauce
¾ cup hot water

Combine ground meat or have it ground together. Mix next four ingredients into meat mixture. Pack into a loaf pan. Mix remaining ingredients in order given and pour over loaf. Bake in a moderate oven (350 degrees F.) for 1½ hours.

You'll like trout whether you're a fish lover or not. Enhance its subtle taste with these seasonings:

Baked Trout With Tomato Sauce.
(Serves 6)

2 pounds trout
2 cups tomatoes
1 cup water
1 slice onion
1 clove
½ teaspoon sugar
3 tablespoons bacon drippings
3 tablespoons flour
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper

Cook tomatoes, water, onion, cloves and sugar 20 minutes. Melt drippings, add flour and stir into hot mixture. Add salt and pepper. Cook 10 minutes and strain. Clean fish and place in baking dish. Pour half the sauce over it and bake 35 minutes in a moderate oven, basting occasionally. Remove to hot platter and pour remaining sauce (hot) over fish. Garnish with parsley.

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Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

"LET'S go in and watch him work." That's what Ingrid Bergman said to me one day outside the sound stage at Selznick's studio while Alfred Hitchcock was filming "Spellbound."

The actors in his pictures will always tell you that Hitch gives the best performance of any one on the set, just like Lubitsch. And the "Hitchcock touch" or the "Lubitsch touch" has made their pictures a "must see" with millions. Hitchie quips and droleries make smart dinner conversation for Hollywood's duller souls.

And yet he told Alfred Hitchcock me the other day there was nothing extraordinary about the suspense-packed pictures he makes. What passed for inspiration with him was observation—watching what actually happens, filming only what could happen.

We were in the living room of his Bel-Air home, looking through the window at golfers passing on the course a hundred yards distant. I'd gone up to welcome him back from England. I wanted to hear how the Hitchcock technique had been applied to propaganda pictures he directed over there.

He started right off by saying that one of these pictures wasn't propaganda at all. "Bon Voyage," he explained, "was just a way of saying thanks to the French people and the underground for all they'd risked in helping so many of our boys escape during the occupation. It's a three-reel feature that tells the true story of the escape of an English flier and assistance given him."

"Bon Voyage," he said proudly, "was well received." The English government did a mighty intelligent thing getting this "master of suspense" over to direct it.

Just Can't Miss

Hitch's new picture is the much-talked-of "Spellbound," with Gregory Peck making love to Ingrid Bergman, mystery, suspense, psychiatry, fantastic sets by Salvador Dali, and music by the symphony composer and conductor Miklos Rozsa.

Hitch has his own theory about music. He gets a celebrated composer to write music for him just so he can stop it. But just why, sir, do you get all that expensive music just to stop it?

"You've seen people in danger?" asks Hitch. "People at some high point of tension? Let's do a scene: We're sitting in this room talking, when bang! Just like that a burglar enters and points a gun at us. 'We freeze. We don't move or breathe. Certainly we don't talk. At any dramatic moment like this there comes a hush. When the danger is over everybody starts jabbering. It's a release to talk. They talk louder, laugh louder."

"So in a psychological mystery there are appropriate intervals at which I want the music dramatically stopped—with a hush!"

"Only 'Spellbound' isn't just a mystery story. It's a love story. There's nothing unusual about it. It's based on truth, psychiatric truth." "What about 'Foreign Correspondent' and 'Lifeboat'?" I asked. "Same thing. In 'Foreign Correspondent' it was a man hammering away at events, and the woman didn't help things. There isn't anything in there that couldn't happen. 'Lifeboat' is the same way."

Some More Plans

"After 'Spellbound,' what?" I wanted to know. "Notorious," he said. "Just finished working on the script with Ben Hecht."

Then he went on to tell what a great guy Ben is. Says they collaborate so well that dialog becomes a kind of verbal shorthand, almost mental telepathy.

Hitch feels his pictures are finished the day shooting begins. He says from then on it's a matter of interpreting what has been created, and that it's possible to get into the finished film only about 75 per cent of what the mind has pictured.

In a world where 8 foot invisible rabbits can star in Broadway shows and in which the true story of an English flier's escape from occupied France furnishes material for a Hitchcock thriller I can believe that there is nothing unusual in a Hitchcock picture—nothing, that is, except the flair of the man who makes 'em.

No, Fans Don't Forget

Robert Cummings, who's doing "You Came Along" for Hal Wallis, says actors who are in the service don't need to worry about keeping their fans. Says his fan mail actually increased while he was out of pictures for about two years. . . . Jeanne Crain gets the good part, with Gene Tierney playing the bad girl in "Leave Her to Heaven." . . . Darryl Zanuck's next will be "Razor's Edge" with the same staff he had for "Wilson." Lamar Trotti will write the screen play.

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On mission days all flying men, even those not going mission, get all the fried egg want for breakfast. That's the day they have eggs.

The crewmen wear their re clothes on missions, usually ralls. They don't have to wear fleeced-lined clothes and all bulky gear, because the cab heated. They do slip on their steel "flak vests" as they appl the target.

They don't have to wear ox masks except when they're ove target, for the cabin is sealed "pressurized" — simulating a stant altitude of 8,000 feet.

Once in a great while one of plexiglass "blisters" where the ners sit will blow out from strong pressure inside, and everybody better grab his oxy mask in an awful hurry. The always wears the oxygen m over the target, for a s through the plane "depressuriz the cabin instantly, and they'd p out.

B-29 Takeoff

I've always felt the great 500-m auto race at Indianapolis to be the most intriguing event—in ter of human suspense — that I ever known. The start of a B-29 mission to Tokyo, from the spec tor's standpoint, is almost a duplicate of the Indianapolis race. On mission day people are o early to see the start. Soldiers groups sit on favorite high apo

Ernie Pyle With the Navy:

B-29 Superforts Answer To a Crewman's Prayer
Big Bombers Afford Yanks Many Comforts on Journeys

By Ernie Pyle

IN THE MARIANAS ISLANDS.—The B-29 is unquestionably a wonderful airplane. Outside of the famous old Douglas DC-3 workhorse, I've never heard pilots so unanimous in their praise of an airplane.

I took my first ride in one the other day. No, I didn't go on a mission to Japan. We've been through all that before. I don't believe in people going on missions unless they have to. And as before, the pilots here all agreed with me.

But I went along on a little practice bombing trip of an hour and a half. The pilot was Maj. Gerald Robinson, who lives in our hut. His wife, incidentally, lives at 123 South Girard street, Albuquerque, N. M., on the very same street as our white house.



Ernie Pyle

I sat on a box between the pilots both on the takeoff and for the landing, and as much as I've flown, that was still a thrill. These islands are all relatively small, and you're not over water, and that feels funny.

If the air is a little rough, it gives you a very odd sensation sitting way up there in the nose. For the B-29 is so big that, instead of bumping or dropping, the nose has a "willow" motion, sort of like sitting on the end of a green limb when it's swaying around.

The B-29 carries a crew of 11. Some of them sit up in the cockpit and the compartment just behind it. Some others sit in a compartment near the tail. The tail gunner sits all alone, way back there in the lonely tail turret.

The body of the B-29 is so taken up with gas tanks and bomb racks that there's normally no way to get from front to rear compartments. So the manufacturers solved that by building a tunnel into the plane, right along the rooftop.

Big Tunnel Links Crewmen
The tunnel is round, just big enough to crawl in on your hands and knees, and is padded with blue cloth. It's more than 30 feet long, and the crew members crawl back and forth through it all the time.

Maj. Russ Cheever reported that he accomplished the impossible the other day by turning around in the tunnel.

On missions, some of the crew get back in this tunnel and sleep for an hour or so. But a lot of them can't stand to do that. I've heard combat crewmen bring up the subject a half dozen times. They say they get claustrophobia in the tunnel.

There used to be some sleeping bunks on the B-29, but they've been taken out, and now there's hardly even room to lie down on the floor.

A fellow does get sleepy on a 14-hour mission. Most of the pilots take naps in their seats. One pilot I know turned the plane over to his copilot and went back to the tunnel for "a little nap," and didn't return for six hours, just before they hit the coast of Japan. They laughingly say he goes to sleep before he gets his wheels up.

The B-29 is a very stable plane and hardly anybody ever gets sick even in rough weather. The boys smoke in the plane, and the mess hall gives them a small lunch of sandwiches and oranges and cookies to eat on the way.

The boys speak frequently of the unbelievably high winds they hit at high altitudes over Japan. It's nothing unusual to have a 150-mile-an-hour wind, and my nephew, Jack Bales, said that one day his plane hit a wind of 250 miles an hour.

There are five officers and six enlisted men on the crew of a B-29. All the enlisted men of a crew stay in the same hut, because that's the way the boys want it. Thus there are usually three crews of six men each in a Quonset hut.

"My" crew is a grand bunch of boys, as I suppose most of them are. They have trouble sleeping the night before a mission, and they're tense before the takeoff. As one of them laughingly said at the plane just before takeoff one morning "How do you get rid of that empty feeling in your chest?"

But they relax and expand and practically float away with good feeling once they get back and have another one safely under their belts.

The six enlisted men of "my" crew are Sgts. Joe Corcoran of Woodhaven, L. I.; Faunad Smith of Des Moines, N. M. (near Raton); Joe McQuade of Gallup, N. M.; John Devaney of Columbus, Ohio; Norbert Springman of Wilmont, Minn.; and Eugene Florio of Chicago.

Springman and Florio are radio men, and all the others are gunners. Sergeant Corcoran is the oldest of the crew. The first time I walked into their hut he called from his cot, "Hi Ernie, the last time I saw you was in the Stork club."

"But I've never been in the Stork club in my life," I said.

So we puzzled over that a while, and finally decided it must have been two other guys, or else I'm living a double life which I don't know about.

'Sarge' Continues To Ply Trade
Sergeant Corcoran was a chiropractor before the war, and still gives the boys amateur treatments. He practiced for three years at Jamaica, L. I., and had a fine business worked up. I asked him how a chiropractor ever wound up to be a side-gunner on a B-29, and he said "damned if he knew."

It's unusual to find two men from thinly populated New Mexico on the same crew. Smith and McQuade never knew each other until they met on this crew, and then it turned out they had joined the army the very same day. Now they are great buddies.

McQuade was a fireman on the Santa Fe, and Smith owned a grocery store, but finally had to sell it. They'd just had letters saying that they were below zero back home, and they were at least thankful to be away from that.

Both the boys have had experiences. McQuade made two trips to the Aleutians as a gunner on a ship. And Smith is serving his second tour of aerial combat overseas.

Smith was in the South Pacific in the early days, and flew 53 missions as gunner on B-17s. He has back of his leather flying-jacket—yellow bombs for the South Pacific, and red ones for Japan. He says he's only got room for 27 more missions on his jacket, and then he'll just have to quit.

I asked Sergeant Smith if he hated to come back overseas as badly as I did.

"Twice as bad," he said, "You couldn't."

"Well, as bad then," he said, "But I haven't gripped so much about it since we got here. It's not near as bad as I expected. In fact we're living as good here as we did in America."

Sergeant Smith's odd first name—Faunad—is Syrian. He is growing a funny little rectangular goatee, black as coal. I asked him how long he was going to keep it. He said, "Probably only until the colonel happens to notice it."

Smith and Corcoran are the only two sergeants on the crew who are married. Both their wives are living temporarily in California.

Kathleen Norris Says:
Wives Who Are Saboteurs

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



"When I got my captaincy and sailing orders, she came a thousand miles, with my little girls, to wish me Godspeed."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

WHAT has happened to the honor and fidelity of American women in this war? What has become of the old-time fineness and faithfulness that made it second-nature for our war wives to cherish the memory of the men who were away on battlefronts, to preserve the sacredness of home and home ties in their absence?

Gone with the wind, evidently. Recently an eminent military authority was responsible for the statement that among married men in the fighting forces today, one out of every three receives news from home that his wife is no longer faithful.

That he is no longer loved. That the home of which he dreams, in the smoke and blood and horror of the firing line, is no longer ready to welcome him back. That the children for whom his arms and his heart hunger are no longer to be his, to live under their father's roof—if indeed he ever has a home again.

The cruelty and selfishness of the women who write such letters to lonely, homesick men is sufficiently dreadful. But even worse is the implication that our girls are being brought up without any respect for marriage, motherhood or themselves.

When a woman goes through years of weakness and illness, as many women do, there is no comfort in the world to her like the deep happiness of knowing that her husband is faithful, is concerned, is eager with tender help and care.

Soldiers Give Up Much.
And when men leave their homes, leave safety and friends, beloved small children and wives, behind them; when they are regimented out of all individuality; when they may no longer have a single hour without some other man's permission—when what sort of a wife is it who begins at once to entertain herself with friendships of other men, who presently writes her homesick soldier that she has met another love, that she wants to be free, that he must make some other living arrangements when he gets home?

The army official above quoted says one soldier out of every three gets this sort of letter. Our enemies could hardly devise anything more destructive to the morale of our troops. To wait for mail from home and to eagerly receive it, only to be stunned by fresh misery and loneliness, a sense of inferiority and failure, is an experience that may well weaken the courage and determination of any man.

"We have one baby girl, Mary," writes Corporal W. J. J. from northern France. "I think the world of her, and God knows I dearly love my wife, too. But now Ethel writes that she wants a divorce, she is going to marry a fellow I know, and take Mary with her. I wish I knew what to do, ought I try to hold her, feeling like she does? I get almost sick, being so far away, and not able to get home and see her. In my mind I think I'll go cocooning myself talking with her and say—"

"Is that the way wives write to their husbands in war time?" the letter concludes bitterly. "Is that the best they can do to brace their men through the cruellest ordeal that human flesh and blood ever faced? We're tired, discouraged, homesick, over here. We know how this war is going to end, and that we'll come home—some of us—victorious, but believe me, it's a slow, hard pull, and to have nothing to which to look forward, nothing for which to work, nothing loving and comforting to which to come home, is pretty disheartening. If anyone had told me this of Ann I'd have knocked him down. Written by her own hand, I have to believe it, and it has shaken the foundations of my whole life."

Thousands of wives are piling up eternal regret and shame for themselves. For thousands of others perhaps it isn't too late to stop short, to take the course of courage and honor, fidelity and plain old-fashioned goodness, as wives.

SANITARY DISHWASHING
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aiding the enemy

As if the cruel hardships of war weren't enough, many men in uniform have to endure the loss of their wife's love. Just the fact that their husbands are absent seems to be an excuse for many women to find pleasure in some other man's company. Often this illicit romancing leads to a desire for a divorce. Thousands of wives have written to their husbands in service, asking for a separation.

Miss Morris calls these disloyal wives "saboteurs." They are wrecking the morale of fighting men—and far more effectively than enemy propaganda could do. They are not only wrecking their own and their husbands' lives—they are endangering their country.

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This is a genuine letter, one of many that come to me. Here is another, this one from a professor of English who has been overseas for more than a year.

Wants Wealthy Man.
"Ann and I have been married 10 years," he writes. "She wanted me to volunteer, and when I got my captaincy and sailing orders she came a thousand miles, with my little girls, to wish me Godspeed. That was 14 months ago. We have been very happy, have a lovely home, books, friends, work in common. Now she writes me that she wishes to go to Reno; she has promised to marry a much older man, quite wealthy, and prominent in our town. He is 52, Ann 34. She asks me not to make any fuss and hopes that I will someday find a woman more worthy of me. She says the girls will share their time between us."

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

John J. Foster, Minister

9:45 Church School, Mrs. Loton

Hutchinson, Superintendent.

11:00 Kindergarten Class, Mrs.

Kneeland and Miss Katharine Kel-

logg in charge.

11:00 Morning Worship. Sermon

Topic, "The Strangest Invasion of

History."

The Guild will meet on Wednes-

day evening at eight o'clock at the

home of Mrs. Olive Lurvey. Mrs.

Hopkins, District School Nurse,

will be the guest speaker.

Our Union Lenten services will

be climaxed with a candlelight

Communion Service on Thursday

evening, March 29th at 7:30 o'clock

in the Congregational Church.

New members will be received

into our fellowship on Easter Sun-

day morning. Would you like to

join? If so speak to Mr. Foster dur-

ing the preceding week.

If you care to furnish flowers to

help beautify our church on Easter

Sunday morning, they will be most

welcome. Please see Mrs. G. J.

Thurston, Chairman of the Flower

Committee, before Friday morning

concerning further arrangements.

METHODIST CHURCH

William Penner, Pastor

9:45 Church School, Miss Minnie

Wilson, Superintendent.

11:00 Morning Worship Service.

Palm Sunday. Sermon theme:

Waving Palms and Waving Peo-

ple.

6:30 Youth Fellowship meeting at

the home of Harry Cole. Bob Cro-

teau and William Penner are in

charge of the program.

The Men's Brotherhood meeting

is on Tuesday, March 27. Ladies

Night Supper at 6:30. Entertain-

ment: movies.

The Eleanor Gordon Guild will

have its meeting on Wednesday

March 28, at the home of Josephine

Parker, at 7:30 o'clock. The en-

tertainment committee: Josephine

Parker, Adeline Brown, Virginia

Perry, Sam Penner.

The last Union Lenten Service

will be held in the Congregational

Church on Thursday, March 29th

at 7:30 P. M. Holy Week medita-

tions and the Lord's Supper will

be in charge of the local ministers.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Services Sunday morning at

10:45.

"Matter" is the subject of the

Lesson-Sermon that will be read in

all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on

Sunday, March 25.

The citations from the Bible in-

clude the following passages:

"I beseech you therefore, brethren,

by the mercies of God, that ye

present your bodies a living sacrifi-

ce, holy, acceptable unto God,

which is your reasonable service.

And be not conformed to this

world; but be ye transformed by

MRS. L. ADELAIDE BROCK

Mrs. Brock passed away Tues-

day evening, March 13th, 1945, at

her home on Greenfield St., Brook-

ton, Mass.

The following clipping from a

Brookton paper will be of interest

to Bethel people as Mrs. Brock was

a native of Bethel.

She was the daughter of Albert

and Ann Maria (Mills) Farwell and

many of her happy childhood sum-

mers were spent on the farm of

her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Nelson Mills in this town. In her

teens her home was the place now

known as the Domestic Science

Cottage.

She graduated from Gould Acad-

emy and was a successful teacher in

the Bethel schools for a while, re-

signing to accept a position in a

Massachusetts school. But few re-

latives are left in this town, two

own cousins, Mrs. Ella Kendall

and Mrs. Grace Mills Bar-

rett, also Mrs. Mills of Portland.

Will Mills of Poland, George Mills

of Steep Falls, Mrs. Alice Mills of

Norway, and Francis Mills of

Quincy, Mass. There are also sev-

eral second cousins.

"We cannot see into the 'Har-

bor'."

The mists are so dense and grey.

We love to think those gone before

are beyond in the "Sunset Bay."

Mrs. L. Adelaide Brock, widow of

John Melvin Brock, 60 Greenfield

street died Tuesday at her home.

A former school teacher in Ash-

land and Natlek schools, she was

well known in Brookton, was an ac-

tive member of the First Univers-

alist church and a charter mem-

ber of the Young Matrons' Club of

the church, now known as the

Matrons' Club.

Her husband who died several

years ago, was a former manager

of the boy's department of Ken-

edy's. She leaves one son, Herman

Y. one brother, Elmer B. Farwell

of Rosindale; a sister, Mrs. Al-

freda F. Edwards of Boston, three

grandchildren, Mrs. John O. Tom-

lin, of Rye, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert Mel-

vin Brock, USNR, at Jacksonville, Fla.

and Miss Virginia T. Brock, Port

Washington, N. Y.

Also one great grandchild, El-

iza Jean Tomlin, Rye, N. Y.; a niece,

Mrs. Adelaide Sukerforth of Boston;

a nephew, Herbert F. Farwell of

Washington; two granddaughters,

Miss Sally Sukerforth of Milwaukee,

Wis., and Natalie Farwell of Wash-

ington, D. C., one grand nephew,

Bruce Farwell of Washington, D.

C.

Funeral services were held Fri-

day at 1:30 from the late residence

with interment in Dell Park cem-

etery, Natick.

SCENIC SKY ACRES BOUGHT

BY MAJOR AND MRS. KILMER

The following clipping was taken

from a Santa Barbara, Calif.,

newspaper and will be of in-

terest to several local people. Mrs.

Kilmer is the niece of Mrs. Frank

Hanscom, and has many friends

in Bethel having visited here sev-

eral times.

Major and Mrs. H. L. Kilmer of Palo

Alto, California, have bought the

88 acre home place of Mr. and Mrs.

Wells Fulton on Toro Canyon road.

The property known as Sky Acres

is located directly across the pic-

tureque canyon from the home of

L. Arnold Orskowski, famed Phila-

delphia Orchestra conductor, and

commands one of the most attrac-

tive panoramic views of the coast,

mountains, sea and channel is-

lands, in this section. In addition

to an attractive home the prop-

erty includes a 17-acre bear-

ing lemon grove.

Major and Mrs. Kilmer are world

travelers, sightseeing in such coun-

tries as Italy, famed for scenic

beauty, but they said that in all

their travels they had not found

a scenic outlook so inspiring and

beautiful as that which they have

from their Toro Canyon home. For

Major Kilmer, his coming to Santa

Barbara is a return to his birth-

place. He was born on the old Kil-

mer ranch, now the Billings estate

and the Montecito Country club

property. He is a brother of Lt.

Harvey Kilmer of this city. He grew

up here, graduated from the Santa

Barbara High school, and from

there entered Stanford.

He is a widely known landscape

architect, and with the commence-

ment of the war enlisted in the